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In re application of:

Application No. 10/667,731

Group No. 3782

Filed 09/22/2003

Examiner Justin Matthew Larson

For: SADDLEBAG BUCKET CARRIER AND METHOD OF MAKING

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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REQUEST

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PROMPTNESS OF THIS SUBMISSION

This information is being submitted promptly after the applicant has learned of the abandonment on the basis of the Notice of Abandonment mailed by the PTO on 02/08/2007.

SUBMISSION

2. Submitted herewith is:
 - a. A copy of the response mailed on July 25, 2006, showing a Certificate of Mailing executed on July 25, 2006.
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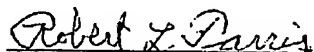
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4. Please proceed with further examination of this application on the basis of:
The attached copy of the papers originally filed.

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ABANDONMENT

5. Acknowledgement of the active status of this application is respectfully requested.



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FILED: September 22, 2003

FOR: SADDLEBAG BUCKET CARRIER AND METHOD OF MAKING

EXAMINER: Justin Matthew Larson

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July 25, 2006

S i r:

Please amend this application in response to the Office Action
mailed March 20, 2006 and Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment
mailed July 19, 2006.

DRAWING

- 1 Substitute the enclosed Drawing Replacement Sheets with Figures 1
- 2 through 4 for the four Drawing sheets filed with this Application.

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2 through 4 for the four Drawing sheets filed with this Application.

Please amend the claims as follows:

CLAIMS

- 1 1. (Currently Amended) A bucket carrier made from rubber sheet material
2 comprising:
3 a central strip with a left end and a right end;
4 a left front band portion with a left front band upper edge integral with
5 the left end of the central strip, a left front band lower edge, a left front band free end,
6 and a left rear band portion integral with the central strip and the left front band
7 portion;
8 a right front band portion with a right front band upper edge integral with
9 the right end of the central strip, a right front band lower edge, a right front band free
10 end, and a right rear band portion integral with the central strip and the right front
11 band portion;
12 a permanent and non releasable left joint connecting the left front band
13 free end to the left rear band portion to form a left bucket band with a frustoconical
14 left bucket receiving passage; and
15 a permanent and non releasable right joint connecting the right band
16 free end to the right rear portion to form a right bucket band with a frustoconical right
17 bucket receiving passage.